Romans 8

What's the **CONTEXT** of this chapter?

Book writer, date & readers : Paul in 56 AD to Christians in Rome

Book key repeated word: "you" 168x & "God" 153x ... It's all about YOU and GOD!

Book natural divisions: Three powerful revelations of the Gospel...

Rm 1-8 in the world Rm 9-11 in Israel Rm 12-16 in the church

Book key summary verse: Romans 1v16

"The Gospel... is the power of God for salvation..."

Book application: Romans 12v2

"Do not be not conformed to this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your mind..."

What's the **CONTENT** of this chapter?

<u>Chapter</u> key repeated words: "spirit" 21x & "flesh" 13x

Chapter natural divisions:

vs1-4 There can be victory over sin's power.

vs5-16 The battle is in our soul.

vs5-7 Our mind is set either on the flesh or the spirit.

vs8-9 Living by the flesh cannot please God.

vs10-13 Living by the Spirit of God leads to victory.

vs14-16 God gives a new spirit so we can "mind" Him.

vs17-25 The battle will cause suffering, but victory is assured.

vs17-18 Remember Christ's suffering; think about Heaven.

vs19-22 All creation suffers and thinks about salvation.

vs23-25 Our hope is sure; just think about it.

vs26-27 The Spirit of God helps us "mind" the things of God.

vs28-30 Keep in mind God's plan for victory!

vs31-39 Keep in mind God's love for us.

Chapter key summary verse: Romans 8v6

"For the mind set on the flesh is death, but the mind set on the spirit is life and peace"

Chapter application: Romans 8v12 (ONE MORE REVELATION of THE POWER OF THE GOSPEL...in the church!)

"So then, brethren, we are under obligation, not to the flesh, to live according to the flesh..."